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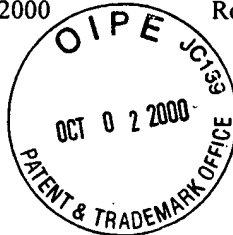


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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.**

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Sir:

The Notice to File Missing Parts of Application--Filing Date Granted dated August 25, 2000, in connection with the above-identified application is acknowledged. A copy of the Notice is attached hereto.

Attached hereto is a declaration in compliance with 37 CFR §1.63 and a payment including the amount of \$130.00 in payment of the surcharge set forth in 37 CFR §1.16(e) as required in the Notice.

To the extent necessary, Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the deposit account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (219.38327X00), and please credit any excess fees thereto.

Respectfully submitted,

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